

Group #	Priority Issues	Workshop Date
1	Community Involvement: accountability, initiate dialogue	3/15/10
1	Equal access to resources	3/15/10
1	Smaller Classroom size	3/15/10
1	Supporting a well rounded education	3/15/10
1	Awareness of programs & resources	3/15/10
1	Rebuild confidence in the system: city council, incentives, public school system	3/15/10
2	Not yet received	3/15/10
3	Better integration between community & school	3/15/10
3	Network of basic, broad support for families, parents- build on what's already working and lower youth violence	3/15/10
3	Ensuring literacy by third grade and beyond	3/15/10
3	Lack of leadership that reflects the diverse community- addressing institutional issues/racism- access of services for diverse groups- leadership that is accountable to the diverse community	3/15/10
3	Partner with schools- (Community neighborhoods& organizations)	3/15/10
4	Funding for Early Learning	3/15/10
4	Better communication among school staff/parents/ students	3/15/10
4	After school youth facilities with culturally competent learning	3/15/10
4	Grade improvement with grade level ability	3/15/10
4	Appropriate math & science challenge level	3/15/10
5	nothing received	3/15/10
6	Education, teaching of Somali: culture/language.	3/15/10
6	Low quality education, compared to other schools.	3/15/10
6	Safety of neighborhood.	3/15/10
6	High water bills in High Point, New Holly	3/15/10
6	2-year waiting list for pre-school at High Point; not allowed to attend anywhere else.	3/15/10
7	United \$ leads to competition for \$	3/15/10
7	Universal healthcare	3/15/10
7	Limited money for family resources/ family centers	3/15/10
7	Lack of services for immigrants: interpreting, cultural unfamiliarity	3/15/10
7	Lack of opportunities for minority youth.	3/15/10
8	Poverty	3/15/10
8	Need anti-racist filter throughout the city	3/15/10
8	Childcare is expensive and hard to find- not enough money/funding	3/15/10
8	Not enough interconnectedness and coordination among agencies/services	3/15/10
8	Difficult & expensive to go through immigration process which is required to get work.	3/15/10
9	Gap between adults and children	3/15/10
9	School is hard/boring- reason for dropout rate	3/15/10
9	Lack of systemic family involvement in education	3/15/10
9	Lack of quality early education	3/15/10
9	Not enough support for mental health	3/15/10
10	Free high quality preschool	3/15/10
10	Lack of coordination between schools, communities and parents	3/15/10
10	Need for more different pathways to middle and high school graduation	3/15/10
10	Lack of \$\$ for employment and training	3/15/10
10	Inequities in education and lack of cultural competence in education and health	3/15/10
11	Review of the schools discipline system	3/15/10
11	Address the socio-economic gap around access to food, home and activities	3/15/10

11	More data driven decision to know what works and build on that	3/15/10
11	Define good community partners and how they help youth	3/15/10
11	Put resources to help kids catch up to grade level	3/15/10
12	Gang Violence	3/15/10
12	Lack of resources to support parent school partnerships	3/15/10
12	Underage drinking, drugs and alcohol	3/15/10
12	Family problems	3/15/10
12	Lack of mental health education and services	3/15/10
13	Caregivers not being involved	3/15/10
13	Youth violence prevention and increase civility	3/15/10
13	Professional development for teachers, principals, and administrators	3/15/10
13	Bridging the gap between cultural resources, schools and agencies	3/15/10
13	Mentors	3/15/10
13	Reversing school closures	3/15/10
14	Schools need more teachers, more help, smaller classes	3/15/10
14	My child does well in school, gets good grades yet fails the WASL	3/15/10
14	Safety of students- not enough security to ensure safe schools. Worry about child while at school	3/15/10
14	Streets between home and school where children walk aren't patrolled well for speeding & it is unsafe for children, also always have unsafe activities occurring	3/15/10
14	Continue to support family support workers & teacher's aides, need to not eliminate this role	3/15/10
15	Relevancy of education today in preparing students for tomorrow	3/15/10
15	Parenting classes & family counseling	3/15/10
15	Stabilization of funding for support services	
15	Lack of psychological/ mental health counseling for youth- direct access by youth (not having to get help with parental permission)	3/15/10
15	Better quality teacher support & training & funding for classroom support	3/15/10
16	Bridging relationships to families/schools and community organization	3/15/10
16	Early learning skills	3/15/10
16	Counseling for post H.S. education, mental health access to counseling	3/15/10
16	Graduation rates	3/15/10
16	Youth violence prevention	3/15/10
17	Youth employment	3/15/10
17	Maintain teen health centers	3/15/10
17	Upgrade school facilities: buildings, books, technology	3/15/10
17	More community based organizations to provide life & job skills	3/15/10
17	Eliminate pay to play athletics in schools	3/15/10
18	Not enough funding & resources for professional development of teachers.	3/15/10
18	Too much belief in the western mind-set as the right way to see the world	3/15/10
18	Too many gangs in the neighborhoods	3/15/10
18	Deeply institutionalized racism inherent in the western worldview	3/15/10
18	Lack of arts education opportunity especially in low income schools	3/15/10
19	Support for immigrant families for raising children in a new culture.	3/15/10
19	People who speak Somali in schools and community center	3/15/10
19	Somali cultural center	3/15/10
19	Lack of culturally appropriate mediators for domestic violence cases & family affairs	3/15/10
19	Expensive water bills in high point. SHA & Rainier Vista, and New Holly	3/15/10
20	High-risk behaviors among youth (alcohol & drug use/sales, gang involvement, violence)	3/15/10
20	Lack of cultural competency I programming and systems.	3/15/10

20	Lack of sufficient support for kids who are not succeeding in school	3/15/10
20	Lack of parental support and education parents on how to promote & behaviors and deal with high risk behaviors	3/15/10